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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT 7002 0510 0003 8603 4315

Terry Wetz International Uranium (USA) Corporation Independence Plaza 1050 Seventeenth Street Denver, Colorado 80265

Subject: Five-Year Review of Reclamation Surety Estimate, International

<u>Uranium (USA) Corporation, Rim-Columbus Mine M/037/006, Pandora Mine M/037/012, LaSal – Snowball Permit M/037/026, Hecla Shaft M/037/043, Redd Block IV M/037/046, San Juan County, Utah</u>

Dear Mr. Wetz:

Thank you for providing the requested information regarding the five-year review status of the Rim-Columbus, Pandora, LaSal-Snowball, Hecla Shaft, & the Redd Block IV Mines, located in San Juan County, Utah. The last combined surety estimate for these mines was \$475,100 in 2002 dollars. Upon review of the information furnished by International Uranium (USA) Corporation and a site visit to verify the site conditions, we find we only need to escalate the existing bonds for a five-year period. The only changes made to the original bond amounts were the addition of monies for reclamation supervision and equipment mobilization/demobilization.

The combined surety for these mines escalated to the year 2010 is \$738,100. Surety Estimate Updates for each site are attached for your use. These Updates show the new bond amounts for each of the individual mines. Please provide the updated sureties within 60 days or no later than September 30, 2005.

You may provide riders to the existing sureties. The Reclamation Contracts would have an addendum added to bring them current. However, if you choose to post another form of surety, please contact Beth Ericksen at (801) 538-5318 to obtain the current bonding forms.



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If you are unable to provide the sureties within this timeframe, please contact the Division with justification for requesting additional time. Thank you for your help in keeping the surety current. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Doug Jensen at (801) 538-5382.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

SMW:DJ:jb

Attachment: (5) Surety Estimate Updates

cc: Frank Bain, BLM, Moab FO w/attachments

Ted McDougal, BLM Monticello FO w/attachments

Will Stokes, SITLA (ML24092S, 18301-MM) w/attachments

Doug Jensen, DOGM Beth Ericksen, DOGM

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SURETY ESTIMATE UPDATE

International Uranium (USA) Corporation

LaSal - Snowball Mines FILE # M/037/026

San Juan County

Prepared by Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

Last Update 5/12/1997

27-Jul-05

DESCRIPTION:

- -Previous reclamation surety estimate was \$124,543 in year 1989 dollars
- -Reclamation Estimate base amount calculated in 1989-\$
- -A 10% reclamation supervision cost added to original bond calculation.
- -Because of proximity, equipment mobilization/demobilization cost for Pandora LaSal-Snowball mines have been combined.
- -New maps of the area generated for this surety estimate escalation update.
- -Acreage figures were adjusted as a result of this mapping effort.
- -Escalation factors through 2004 are actual Means Historical Cost Indices
- -Total disturbed area =

23.6 ACRES

CALCULATIONS		ESCAL	BOND	
F = P(1 + i)**n	YR	FACTOR	AMOUNT	
	198	8 0.0181	\$0	
	*** 1989	9 0.0177	\$124,543	
	199	0.0077	\$125,502	
	199	1 0.0127	\$127,096	
	199	2 0.0221	\$129,905	
	199	3 0.0261	\$133,295	
	199	4 0.0321	\$137,574	
	199	5 0.0193	\$140,229	
F = Future Sum	199	6 0.0242	\$143,623	
P = Present Sum	199	7 0.0236	\$147,012	
i = Escalation Factor	199	8 0.0502	\$154,392	
n = number of periods	1999	9 0.0191	\$157,341	
	200	0.0244	\$161,180	
Three Yr Average = 4.44%	200	0.0421	\$167,966	
Used to Project 5 Yrs	200	2 0.0202	\$171,359	
From the Year 2004	200	3 0.0155	\$174,015	
	2004	4 0.0976	\$190,999	
	**** 2008	0.0444	\$203,479	
	2006	0.0444	\$212,513	
	200	7 0.0444	\$221,949	
	2008	0.0444	\$231,804	
	2009	0.0444	\$242,096	
	2010	0.0444	\$252,845	

Updated Surety Amount Rounded (2010-\$)

\$252,800

9405 (\$/ACRE)

^{**} Average cost per acre =

^{***} A 10% supervision cost added to the original bond calculation.

^{****} A cost of \$4000 mobilization/demobilization, for 2 pieces of equipment, added to surety estimate.